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Director Donald Hjec Group Director 37F United States Patent Office PO 1450 Alexandria VA 22301

Re:

SN: 10/817,172

Inventor: Donald Bushby

or: System for Treatment of Plantar Fasciitis

Dear Sir:

I represent Donald Bushby, inventor of SN: 10/817,172, for System for Treatment of Plantar Fasciitis. A reply to an Office Action was filed in this application on <u>December 2</u>, <u>2008</u>, nearly six months ago. Despite repeated telephone calls to Examiner Tarla Patel and SPE Patricia Bianco, we have been unable to ascertain the status of this patent application. SPE Bianco assured me in March that a response would be shortly forthcoming at that time. However, no response has been received.

Examiner Patel did return phone calls a month ago. She informed me that the application was on the desk of SPE Bianco, and that she was awaiting direction on the response. I have left three messages for SPE Bianco in the past month, but have received no reply.

We request your assistance in determining the status of this application and when an Office Action may be forthcoming. This application has received a total of four non-final rejections. It is now in it's fifth year of prosecution. We would appreciate any assistance in bringing this application to a determination of either allowability or appeal as this prolonged prosecution is affecting the commercial viability of the products covered under this application.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

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Very truly yours,

Glenn L. Webb

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